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A Letter of Interest.

The Raymond Board of Trade has received a letter from L. F. Jelliff, of Spring Coulee, which we publish herewith as it may be of notable interest to the farmers in this district. The communication is to the effect that the United Farmer's Association of Alberta, wish to ascertain as near as possible, how many hogs the farmers of this district could supply yearly to the proposed Government Pork Packing plant. It reads as follows:

Spring Coulee, April 12.
Sec. Raymond Board of Trade
Raymond, Alta.

Dear Sir:

I recently received a communication from Mr. E. J. Fream, Sec. of the United Farmers of Alberta, formerly the Alberta's Farmers' Association, enclosing blanks for use of the farmers in indicating how many hogs they would supply yearly to the proposed Government Packing Plant. You are doubtless aware that the Provincial Government by reason of its agitation in this respect by our association for several years past, has included in its estimates the sum of \$500,000 for the construction of such a plant, conditioned, however, upon an agreement that the farmers will supply each year the number of hogs necessary for the successful maintenance thereof. This is a matter of very great importance to our farmers as under existing conditions there is absolutely nothing in it for the farmer who finds it necessary to feed his swine and keep them up. We are practically obliged to take for this product whatever the Burns people are minded to allow us. It is our belief that the establishment of such a plant, operated on such a plan that would secure to the farmer the full price for his cured meat after making allowance for the actual cost of handling it, as in the case of the creameries, would prove very advantageous and would result in placing this very important branch of farm produce on a profitable basis and assist materially in its development. It is of prime importance that our farmer should not be forced to produce grain alone but that other lines should also contribute materially to his profit, such as hogs, horses, cattle, etc., as there may come a time when the soil will not produce such generous returns or the crops be so effected from various causes that a considerable portion of it may prove unmarketable and suitable only for feeding. The farmer must be placed in a position to utilize all his waste and by product, which cuts so important a figure in all most every other line of business.

The printed blanks sent to me for obtaining the signatures of the farmers and the number of hogs each can furnish for his plan year are exhausted and I have been obliged to prepare a typewritten copy which I enclose herewith. Please take this matter up at once,

Will Mean Much For the West

Most auspicious of the many omens foreshadowing a year of exceptional progress and prosperity is the high tide of immigration already flowing into the west. Mr. Bruce Walker, Commissioner of Immigration gives a vivid and telling statement of the outlook in the Winnipeg Free Press, which could not fail to instruct the public in the enormous importance of this great movement from the south.

Though there will be a large immigration from the old world, the feature of the year is to be the immense influx of settlers from the Western States. Not less than 700,000 persons, it is predicted, will cross the border from the south, and take up their residence in Western Canada. This is an immigration of an uniformity of class. It is not a haphazard, haphazard, human flood, made up of all sorts and conditions of men, seeking new homes in a spirit of fate, but an ordered army moving westward, to already agreed locations. This great host will be welcomed up to the nearest western settlement, where they will receive the warmest of welcomes and the most hearty of welcomes.

Canada will receive not only the 700,000 high class immigrants, with their enormous wealth producing capacity; but she will obtain directly and immediately a fabulous accession of wealth. Our American settlers will bring with them this year, Mr. Walker estimates, cash to the extent of at least \$70,000,000—an amount not very much less than the money brought into Western Canada by last year's great wheat crop.

Opera House to Open Friday

Raymond's patriotic venture, the new Opera House will be opened Friday, April 23rd, by a local company, in the stirring military drama Arizona. A pretty love story creates the human interest of the piece, reinforced by pathos and comedy, with glimpses of military and ranch life. The Opera House Company has equipped the stage with the most modern and complete scenic accessories of any Opera House in the west, and the staging will be a revelation of beauty, exceeded only by the big theatres of the country. The cast is hard at work, and it may safely be predicted that the town will thrill with pride at the opening of the new handsome home of the drama on Friday, April 23rd.

and obtain the signatures of as many farmers as possible, and the number of hogs they can engage to supply, and send the same to me at Spring Coulee.

Yours very truly,
L. H. JELLIFF.

Additional Locals

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If the boys around town want to get lacrosse sticks they may have their orders at McDuffe's drug store and they will be filled as quickly as possible. Get busy.

The social evening under the auspices of the R.V.P.S. was held on Wednesday evening last. Several interesting games were played, and several musical selections and humorous readings were given by Miss Munro and Miss Mackay.

The Sacrament of the Lord's supper will be administered in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening, the 18th inst. Subject: The Lord's Supper what it is and what it does, and who should partake of it.

The new church at Magrath will be dedicated on the 23rd inst. at 11 a.m. Messrs. Gordon, of Lethbridge, and J. J. Baker, of Raymond are expected to take part in the opening services. The Raymond choir will be in attendance.

We have not yet heard of the Raymond Gun Club being organized yet. What's the matter? We suppose that as long as the gun is away around, the sports are not going to waste ammunition on targets. Magrath have organized and expect to clean up everything this year.

We would suggest that Cardston have get busy too, and organize an intermediate lacrosse team. Let's have a good season this year in the south for sports. With Raymond, Lethbridge, Macleod and Cardston, the southern section would be quite complete, and these towns would certainly make a lively interest in Canada's national game, if they get started right.

The Lethbridge Herald says: "The Raymond Rustler has changed hands. Otto L. Carr, who has been associated with the paper for some months, takes over the management and ownership from Mr. Fred Ford. The Rustler has improved wonderfully as a newspaper recently and Mr. Carr will be certain to make every effort to keep up its reputation as a good local weekly."

There was a meeting called for the Board of Trade on Thursday evening, but unfortunately

there were not enough present present to go ahead with business. There will be a meeting on Thursday evening next in the town hall and every member and those interested are requested to attend, as some very important business is to be transacted. Be sure and don't forget the date.

The Cardston Star says: "Mr. O. L. Carr is purchasing the Raymond Rustler and will assume possession May 1st. He is a practical printer and has for some time been employed on the Rustler staff. The Star trusts that he will meet with a full measure of success. If energy, application and faithfulness count, the newspaper property, under Mr. Carr's direction will make great strides. The Rustler is to be congratulated upon the improved appearance of its bright new paper."

On Wednesday evening, April 21st, the Jeanne Russell Club will present to the Raymond public the laughable and well-known comedy "Charlie's Aunt." This play does not need any introduction as it is well-known to be one of the best. There are fifteen clever artists in the company, and we can bank on a first-class production. Between acts clever vaudeville specialties will be put on. Don't forget the date. Reserved seat tickets on sale at the drug store.

A meeting of the Alberta Lacrosse Association was held in Calgary last week. Several of the towns throughout the province were represented. There will be senior and intermediate teams entered. For the intermediate series, the province will be divided into three parts, the north, central and south. In the south, Lethbridge and Macleod will enter, and the Herald says that Raymond will quite probably be the third. There is no reason why Raymond could not enter an intermediate team. We have the goods here and why not get into the game. A meeting will be held on Monday evening at sample room near hotel, for the purpose of organizing an intermediate team and to make arrangements to enter association. Captain Gillies requests that all those interested turn out. Don't forget about it.

More Elevators Took Life of a For Alberta Dept. Warden

W. J. Bettingen, of the W. J. Bettingen & Co. grain dealers, Winnipeg, was in Lethbridge this week looking over the south country. He came in from Claresholm by auto and on Wednesday visited Raymond and Stirling. Mr. Bettingen is loud in his praises of this district and stated that he wished his fifty two elevators in Manitoba were all in Southern Alberta. He says it is a marvelous world, where the outside world have little idea of its resources as a grain country. He stated that he will commence the erection of elevators all over this province at once. Mr. Bettingen emphasized the advantage of Alberta in having two chances to one in Saskatchewan

Richard Stedman, Deputy warden of the Alberta Penitentiary at Edmonton, was murdered Thursday morning by a convict named Betrest, who had been serving a life sentence for a murder at Battleford some time ago. He assailed Deputy Stedman with an axe, hitting him a terrific blow at the base of the skull killing him almost instantly. Stedman was a warden at the reformatory at Penetanguishene Ontario, before coming to Edmonton.

or Manitoba, the fall wheat failing, left another chance for spring seeding. Mr. Bettingen was accompanied by Raymond by A. L. Foster of Lethbridge.

Convict Makes Alberta's Prospects for Year Daring Escape

One of the most daring escapes ever made by a criminal in this country was effected last week by a man named Kane who was being taken from Leduc, a station some miles south of Edmonton, to serve a sentence in Fort Saskatchewan in custody of an officer of the R.N.W.P.

Contrary to some reports of the case in the press, the prisoner was not handcuffed, and after leaving Leduc on the north bound express, sat very quietly in a seat across the aisle from his guards, when he suddenly sprang head first through the heavy glass window and disappeared like a flash from the astonished passenger's view. For a few moments the people were too stupefied to move, then the policeman pulled the bell cord, and the train was brought to a stop while the man sprang off and started in pursuit of the daring convict, who had escaped apparently unhurt, and was making rapidly for the west, a long distance off. The mounted police officials at Edmonton were notified immediately upon the arrival of the train at Strathcona and at once started several policemen to aid in the pursuit, but the prisoner had made himself scarce with the same alacrity in which he had escaped from the train and the hunters have yet been unable to get a trace of him.

Kane was sentenced in Leduc to serve two years at Fort Saskatchewan for discharging of mortgaged property recently and endeavoring to leave the country.

Alberta Wheat for Coast

Second vice president William Whyte of the C. P. R. was in Vancouver last week to settle details regarding the facilities for handling Alberta wheat at that point, and to discuss western affairs with the officials. It is understood that some definite arrangement may be made for the completion of the Kootenai Central railway, from Golden to Crow's Nest. An announcement regarding this will probably be made later. Mr. Whyte believes that Alberta Export wheat is all destined to go through Vancouver, probably in sacks by the Teanahuque route rather than around the Hore. But if wheat is put on the free list a large quantity may be sent from Alberta to Minneapolis for Milling, other than to the Old Country.

The Calgary Herald under the heading "This Shows How Calgary is Growing," says "The Calgary district, still looks good to the thousands of settlers who annually come to the west. During the past thirty-one days 435 homestead entries were made at the local land office." The Lethbridge Herald says: "Lethbridge must look even better for during the past month 560 homestead entries were made at the local land office. This shows how Lethbridge is growing."

The present year promises to be one of great activity in Western Canada. The good crop harvested last year followed by a fine winter and the promise of an early spring will attract thousands of people to the last Great West during the coming summer. The general impression is that this summer will also bring many western American farmers who will be purchasers of land in Alberta, and who will be an important factor in the great work of bringing the broad areas of this province under cultivation.

This will also be a year of railroad building in the province. According to and estimate of contract record, \$90,000,000 will be required to carry out the various Canadian railways projected for 1909, the estimate being based upon contracts already placed and contracts confirmed. The new mileage of railways completed in 1903 is estimated by the same journal at 1,248, and the number of miles at present under construction at 4,327. According to an estimate made by the Railway and Marine World, a total of 1,454 miles of new track was laid in Canada during 1908.

According to an official statement issued by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, the company had on Jan. 1, 1908, laid 418 miles of line and on December 31, 1908, 875 miles. The mileage laid in 1908 was there fore 456 miles.

The construction of the C.N. R. lines in Alberta will be one of the largest railway projects in the west during the next two years will employ thousands of men and run into an expenditure of millions of dollars. These large undertakings all help to make the business prospects of Alberta particularly bright at the present time.—Olds Gazette.

Rich Strike Of Gas.

All local records for volume of natural gas were smashed in Medicine Hat this week when Engineer Morrison of the city announced the capacity of the new well at upwards of three million feet per twenty-four hours. This well which is being dug for municipal purposes, is at the present time about 665 feet deep, and it is the intention to go an additional hundred.

Large volumes of gas were encountered on Monday last, and upon a test being made it was estimated that two million cubic feet escaped per twenty-four hours. Additional drilling was done this week with above results. Already the capacity of the well is more than double that of any other well in the city, and it gives evidence of being a close second to the Old Glory of Bow Island, which sprang into prominence a few weeks ago and is reckoned to be one of the best wells on the continent.

OLD CIRCUS MAN'S STORY

A REVELATION WHEN THEY GOT IN-TO WINTER QUARTERS.

Tells About the Great Giant's Singing Voice and How It Tilt the People.

"A very curious thing about the great old 'at' giants," said the old circus man, "was the difference between his speaking and his singing voice."

"His speaking voice was that of a man of ordinary stature, his singing voice was in keeping with his own gigantic size. And we never discovered this curious thing till he had been with us for some months, not in fact till the end of his first season with us, when we'd gone into winter quarters."

"We were sitting, the old man, the giant and myself, in a room that we had had up for the giant by taking out a second story door and as carrying a ground floor door up through the stairs, and the giant had been sitting there one evening about a couple of days after we'd come in from the road, and pretty soon he'd been in the kitchen at the other end of the house, listening to me and then the first thing you know we heard the giant singing it. And singing? Why, you never heard anything like it, and nobody would have believed it, if he didn't hear it, that anybody could have such a voice."

"For comparison it was like the roar of Niagara compared to the sound of a little waterfall over a stone in a pool. Sound? I thought it was going to make the walls bulge and

BLOW OUT THE WINDOWS.

"And it wasn't a harsh, rough voice, you understand, either, it was a good, smooth voice; not the most beautiful voice you ever heard, but still a smooth, round, deep voice of the most amazing volume, vastly greater than anything I had ever dreamed of in a human voice, and it made the old man and me all up in wonder."

"And when the giant stopped we found the whole circus was standing around outside the headquarters building—animal men, canvas men, drivers, the whole outfit had come up to hear the giant sing, and there were men you know, accustomed to strange things. We had eighty-odd men in our reservation, but you could hear the giant's voice in the furthest corner of it, and I didn't know then how much further beyond; and at the first note of it men had stopped their work and then they all came to listen."

"Well, it was a revelation to us to be sure and of course the old man set about to turn it to account, as he did everything the old man never let anything get by him, but we had some things to tell about the voice that winter."

"I was sitting in my room one night when the giant came in and sang the song, and I didn't know how far beyond he was, but we were sure about that. The village was only about three-quarters of a mile away from the camp, and when the wind was right you could hear his singing then plainly; it didn't exactly scare people, they all knew the giant and they all liked him, but they all went to bed early, and

THAT WONDERFUL SOUND coming to them after they had gone to

bed did disturb me somewhat. And as the old man got the giant out at night and that winter he had him practice up on a number of songs, which, of course, he was going to have the giant sing under canvas in our tent season on the road."

"In those days, you know, we used to give a concert after the show; and the ground men before the last act selling tickets for this concert; and then when the show was over people that hadn't bought tickets would pass out, and those that had would stay to the concert, and sometimes half the people would stay, or maybe only a quarter of them; but whatever we got that way we velvet, and what the old man was going to do was to substitute for the music and singing we used to give in that concert singing by the giant. And he didn't misanthropize, for the first time the giant sang everybody stayed from curiously, and after that they all stayed, everywhere, because they wanted to."

"We used to stand the giant up on a platform built around the center pole, with the land around him, where they were plenty of room for him and where everybody could see him. And the land would play a tune through, and then a fourth or five, and then the giant would sing, with the land accompanying him."

"And he'd get the people from the first note. It was a wonder just to hear him standing there, but it was a far greater wonder to hear him sing. He didn't make fun of it, if you understand, he took his singing seriously, and so did the people, for

SO THEMUSDOUS A VOICE

had never been heard before, but it was not unusual, and altogether it came pretty close to being awe inspiring."

"You see, the giant was by far the greatest man ever seen, but his voice was far greater still. Great as he was, the giant was yet a man like ourselves, in human form, but his voice seemed something more than human, and it is an interesting fact that in all the concerts the great giant gave he was never once snored. People were drawn as by a fascination to hear him sing, we played to capacity from the beginning, there never were before or since such intense concerts, but there was something about this colossal, stupendous, reverberating voice that, as I said, was more than human, and while it didn't exactly scare 'em, any more than it did those folks living out there by our winter quarters, yet one song was all they wanted."

"And it sure was wonderful. As I look back at the great giant, great as he actually was, he seems up to me now greater than ever, he was a wonder in many ways, but I guess the most wonderful thing of all about him was his singing voice."

HANGING CIRCLES DANGEROUS

"Painted casualties receive such wide publicity," says an insurance man, "that there is a common notion that the public that one is more liable to be ordered while traveling than when living the simple life in the comfort of his home. A letter from a friend, stating that accident insurance companies pay more money to people who get injured in their own homes or on their premises than they do to people hurt in railway accidents. Insurance companies pay more money to people who get hurt hanging pictures in their homes than they do to people who are taking about apart than they do to the victims of head-on collisions. It sounds strange, but it's the truth."

No, alarm, faint, japs are not used for preserving domestic peace.

FROM BONNIE SCOTLAND

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM HER BANKS AND BIRDS.

What is Going On in the Highlands and Lowlands of Auld Scotia.

An epidemic of scarlet fever is raging in Douglas.

At Perth the price of coal has been reduced to 1d. per cwt.

Grouse moors in North Perthshire are said to be in good demand.

It is alleged that the poisoning of pot dogs is prevalent in one district of Edinburgh just now.

A child eight months old at Falkirk was drowned by falling from its cradle into a pool of water.

A gracious request has been made to the appeal for funds for the relief of the unemployed in Argy.

Loth is getting a much desired improvement—a lane between Dalry and North Port street.

A line of copper rods has been started near Glenkiln and mining is expected to be fairly brisk there.

During the year 1903 the manse of the Salvation Army Poor Children's Refractory fund has supplied 15,000 meals.

Insolent is rampant in Stirlingshire, and the evidence is that it has been the most trying season experienced in years.

On the farm of Crossburn, near Troon, tenanted by Mr. David Stevenson, a Leicester goose laid to four healthy lambs.

Alisa Skibblingham, Company's Air employee, has agreed to contribute 10p per month per man in aid of the A.R. Hospital.

The caretaker of Burns Mausoleum, Dundee, wants an increase of salary. He says last year there were over 600 visitors, but few tips.

Glasgow's Savings Bank celebrates its jubilee this year. It was formed in 1808 and only one of the promoters, Mr. A. L. Cochran, is alive.

Rapid progress is being made with the arrangements for the new Dundee electric station, and contracts to the amount of \$10,000 have been placed.

Arrangements are being made with a view to having women students placed on the same footing as male students in the Edinburgh School of Medicine.

It was reported to the Edinburgh Public Health Committee on a recent Tuesday that a man had been admitted to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary suffering from glanders.

At Gouthrie Dean of Guild Court last week plans were passed for a new high-grade school to be erected in Albert street, Gouthrie, at an estimated cost of \$80,000.

Mr. John Stewart Clark has subscribed \$10,000, and Mr. James Cook \$5,000 to the fund of the V. I. Church for the building of churches and lodges in the Highlands.

The County Council of Mid-Lothian are taking action in regard to the alleged pollution of Galloway Loch, due to the use of washings and coal washings from a neighboring pit.

Farmers in the Lothians report that much of the land is sodden and unworkable, and they are afraid that the recent heavy rain will make seed time much later than was expected.

At Marjill the other day a cashier returning from the bank was knocked down and robbed of a bag containing

the men's wages. In the hot pursuit he trooped the bag but got off himself.

Davitt Tyson, 60, miner, Lennethow, committed suicide in his house in Main street recently by placing a gilette razor in his head and exploding it. He had been out of work for some time, and suffered from depression.

GOLD STOLEN BY MINERS.

A form of Theft Practised Everywhere Plundering in Siberia.

Statistics compile tables of the world's production of gold yearly, but it admits that it is impossible to give accurate figures because not a little of the metal is stolen and never figures in the returns of production. In a country like China, where the industry of gold mining is poorly organized and controlled, this source of error in the return of output is very important.

Prof. de Launay in his recent book on gold says that the gold industry in no country escapes the evil of thievery. Gold stealing goes on everywhere, but the extent of the evil varies according to the country and the efficiency of the police.

Gold from its nature is easy to steal and to sell. In the Transvaal it is estimated that from 5 to 10 per cent. of the gold extracted from the area of the Witwatersrand are stolen.

The gold thief is able to steal on a larger scale in such a country as Siberia, where the miners are more isolated and corruption is more common.

There the thieves even venture to tamper with the figures of the production. According to Mr. Levitz's statements in his book on gold mining in eastern Siberia, the quantity of gold stolen from Siberian mines was more than 20 per cent. of the entire output.

In 1890-1900 adventures drove the mining companies and their employees from the gold district of the Zeya river, and the miners fled to the gold before they finally fled on the approach of a regiment of Cossacks.

Not a particle of the gold they mined has been included in the figures of production.

It was found also in 1880 that gold mining along the border between French Guiana and Brazil, where the glances were remarkably rich, had been carried on for several years without any supervision whatever, and not an ounce of the gold was included in the statistics.

A COMPENSATION.

It was not always possible for Mrs. Leahy, from her permanent station at the wash-house, to appreciate the silver lining which Mr. Leahy discovered in every cloud, and pointed out to her.

"I've lost my job, now," he said cheerfully, "but this is the time you ought to be thankful for."

"Why would I be thankful for that?" inquired Mrs. Leahy, pausing for an instant to wipe her gleaming forehead with her damp apron.

"I say now, he and her husband exacted a salary from her from his comfortable-diplomatic chair by the stove."

"It was Terry Dolan, now, and out of it I'd be a good deal better off than I was."

"You think of me, darling, as 'will put the heart into you, same as I was doing.'"

MADE BOWS OF HORN

WEAPONS OF THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS.

Wood Not the Only Substance Used—Bone and Deer Horn Also Figured.

The bows of the North American Indians were made of wood, bone or horn. Sometimes the bow was made of a single piece of wood, sometimes of several pieces, perhaps it was of wood alone, or it might be backed by sinew or by the skin of some animal, according to the fashion of the tribe. The material for the weapon was gathered whenever it was possible, and a man might have in his lodge a number of sticks each of which he intended ultimately to fashion into a bow, or, if he did not live long enough for this, the bow would descend to his heirs. As the most important implement of hunter or warrior, the bow was highly valued.

Bows of bone were made sometimes of sections of the ribs of large animals, skinned and glued together, and were usually backed by sinew. Those of the antler of the reindeer were also made of a single piece and at other times in sections, beveled at the ends and neatly glued and polished. Bows of horn were made of several pieces similarly glued and polished, but the tips of the mountain sheep were sometimes cut in to longer slender horns, which were laid together, glued, and backed by sinew.

SHEEP HORN BOWS.

Another type of sheep horn bow was in a single piece, the horn being cut in a spiral from base of horn to point, this spiral being steamed or boiled and then straightened and caused to lie straight. Bows such as these were used by the Indians, but they were also very popular and never were out. On the other hand, it is said that bows made of bone or of sinew were more for show than for use. They were good to look at, and for a time were often used as ornaments.

Next to the bow, and in fact, so much a part of it that it cannot be separated from it, is the arrow, a complex implement, the development of which we may imagine to have been very slow and which no doubt was well advanced toward its present form before the bow was thought of. We may fancy the arrow came by the growth of a simple stinging instrument, which developed into a dart to be thrown, similar to certain toys still in use among the children of our plains Indians.

MAKING THE ARROW.

The arrow consisted of three essential parts, the head, the shaft and the fletching. Sometimes the shaft was compound, consisting of more than one piece of wood. The fletching is the part of the arrow which is the only part that was very varied. The fletching is the part of the arrow which is the only part that was very varied.

Even within the same tribe, or even among the children among our village Indians have employed very diverse forms of arrows, using in their hunting of little birds arrows without heads and having merely a sharpened, fire-hardened point; arrows without feathers, and again, arrows fletched in an earlier method, of which, as you

noticed by adults, we know only by tradition.

The bowstring was usually made of twisted sinew, sometimes put in the bow green and allowed to dry there, in the southeast, however, the string was sometimes made of vegetable fibre. In other sections it might be made of strips of raw hide or intestine of animal.

Admired by Some Tribes, Who Secure Them by Theft and Binding.

The egg-shaped heads of some of the tribes of Alaska, in the New Hebrides, were once thought to be naturally curved. For that reason some tribes decided that the Maskenians were in the lowest rung of the human ladder.

Later it was found that the conical heads were produced as the Chinese women distorted their feet, by binding them in infancy. The egg-shaped head is still fashionable in Malakka, where some extraordinary results are achieved.

A conical head," says a writer in the National Geographic Magazine, "resembles from the forehead in such a manner that one is inclined to think the owner of this remarkable profile reserves his or her proper respect, such as they are. I could not hear, however, that the conical was supposed to affect the intellect in any way."

"The conical shape is produced by binding, along almost equally about the heads of young babies, and binding the skull from time to time. A piece of plaited mat is first put on the head and the cord is coiled over this, so as to give it a good purchase. The crown of the head is left to develop, as the upward and backward fashion that is so much admired."

One fears the poor babies suffer very much from the process. The child was weaned and crying and looked as if it were constantly in pain; but the mother, forgetting for the moment her fear of the strange white woman, showed it to me quite proudly, pointing out the cords with a smile.

She had a nearly shapely head herself and it seemed that she had suffered by her parents' neglect of this important matter. For she was married to a man who was of no particular account. A young girl who was standing beside her had evidently had a more careful mother, for her head was a more usual shape. It is interesting to know that this will be found by young women and married a chief."

SAVINGS OF GREAT MEN.

Virtue is the first quality to be considered in the choice of a friend.—Johnson.

The people who suffer most are always those who have a sense of justice.—John Oliver Holmes.

Man fails to make his place good in the world unless he adds something to the common wealth.—Emerson.

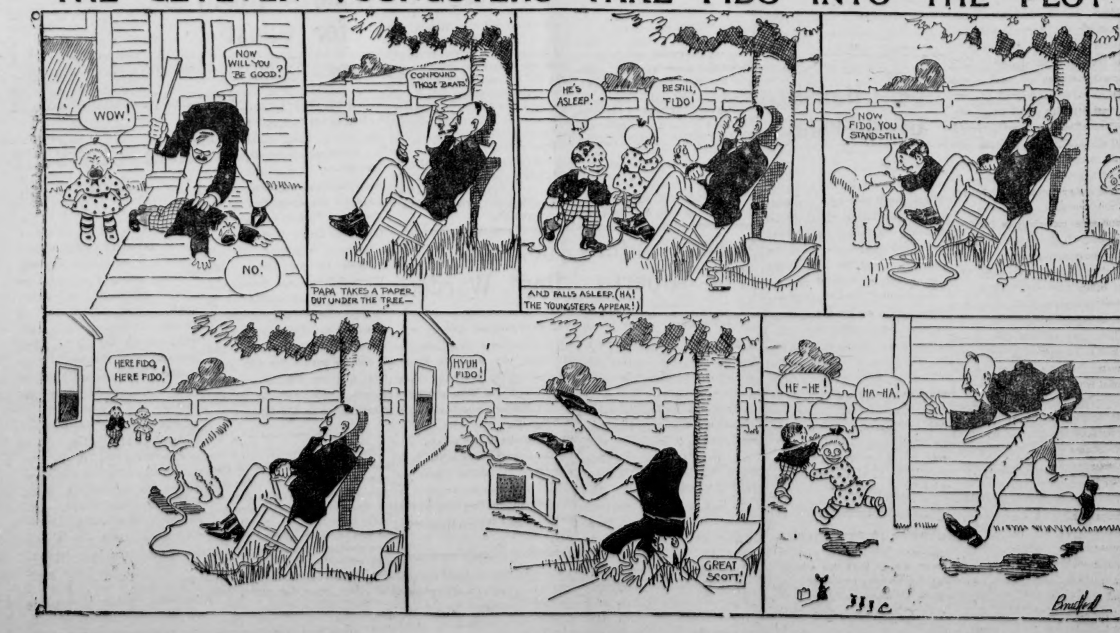
To refuse to yield to others when reason or a special cause require it is a mark of pride and stiffness.—Thomas à Kempis.

There is no pleasure beyond the realm of righteousness; there is no pleasure which injures another.—W. L. Walkley.

I think the first virtue is to restrain the tongue; he approaches nearest to the gods who knows how to be silent even when he is in the right.—Cato.

After scrapping some acquaintance a man is anxious to cut him.

THE GETEVEN YOUNGSTERS TAKE FIDO INTO THE PLOT



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FRANK FORD, Manager.

Friday, April 16, 1909

The next Alberta Legislature will consist of 3 Liberals, 2 Conservatives, 1 Socialist and 1 Independent Conservative.

The Alberta Government propose constructing 800 miles of new telephone lines this year. How is this for prosperous Alberta.

J. Alexander, professor of modern languages at the Alberta university, has resigned his position and leaves shortly to return to New York.

Earl Grey and Sir Mortimer Clark, were recently denounced in Toronto. *Presbyterian*—Synod for patronizing a Woodbine race meet. This is sure going some.

West Virginia and Washington states are protesting vigorously against the Payne Tariff Bill which provides for the free importation of Canadian coal into the United States.

Edmonton will ask Andrew Carnegie for a grant of \$75,000 for a public library. In return it will pledge itself to furnish sites, and books and provide \$5000 for maintenance each year.

We have not heard a great deal about the waterworks system in town lately. Now that we have a flowing well, let the town fathers get to work and put a system in. This is one of the liveliest issues with the town this year. Says something. We have been approached recently by a ratepayer who wanted to know if the issue was still alive.

At Vancouver recently, Geo H. Cowan Conservative M.P. for that city, referred to our Premier of Canada, as being a "white livered coward." Cowan might be termed the same kind of a coward, for he had to cross the continent and make the statement at home. What kind of sense are some of these members of parliament endowed with?

The Calgary *Albertian* says: "Premier Rutherford believes

that there will be 500 students in attendance at the Alberta University and federated colleges in five years. And we all believe it. If he had said 1000 we would have believed it quite as readily. With a province that is advancing like Alberta is, nothing is to great for it."

Last Saturday evening, A. J. McLean, M.P.P., was tendered a complimentary banquet in Taber by many friends, Liberals, Independents and Conservatives. Mr. McLean thanked them all for the generous support they had given him in his fight against the Government candidate. How many were there from the south to congratulate him. Hush!

There was quite an uproar in the House of Commons last week when the Hon. Geo. E. Foster accused Sir Wilfrid Laurier of graft and nearly everything else on the political calendar. The Premier said that he had never manipulated trust funds at any rate, apparently directing his remarks towards Mr. Foster. This reached home alright, and it was quite difficult for him to take the same medicine that was meted out to the Premier.

The Ontario Legislature has approved the grant of 2,000,000 acres of land and \$200,000 in cash to the Canadian Northern Railway. The Conservatives of Ontario now in control of the Legislature, put themselves on record a few years ago as being opposed to any further subsidies, either in land or cash, to railways in the province. The circumstance which has altered the case is the accession to power of the party holding these virtuous views.

The Edmonton Saturday News is looking for trouble and regards with favor something like a tax upon Alberta bachelors. It says: "In Alberta where the number of bachelors is larger than it should be in a new country and the burden on married women is particularly heavy, such a tax would be only just." The Calgary *Albertian* comments and says: "It might add that an Alberta bachelor who remains in that deplorable condition while there are any of the many very delightful, incomparable Alberta girls unmarried, should be examined regarding his sanity."

The present session of the Dominion Parliament has been the most business-like of years; yet the close of the financial year found the supply bill not passed and it became necessary to put through a partial bill to keep things running. This shows how impossible it was for the Government to get supply voted by March 31 without the consent and co-operation of the Opposition. Thus the Opposition is given the power, by obstructing, to bring the whole business of the country each session to a standstill. The government has apparently decided to leave the rules of parliament under which obstruction is possible as they are. By so doing they are laying up trouble for themselves later on.—Winnipeg Free Press.

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Hon. W. T. Finlay, Minister of Agriculture and George Harcourt, deputy minister, will leave for Medicine Hat to meet H. W. Campbell, the soil expert, to choose a section of land in the vicinity of that city for a dry farming experiment station.

Mr. Campbell has made a life study of the treatment of soil in areas where the rainfall is in a minimum, so as to conserve what moisture there is and turn it to the best account. At his home in Lincoln, Nebraska, he is editor of the 'Soil Culture', which has done much to make his principles known throughout the United States. For some years he has been employed by railway companies in putting his principles into operation in those stretches of desert country through which their lines pass. He has been most successful and now in areas where the rainfall is in a minimum, so as to conserve what moisture there is and turn it to the best account.

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Mr. Campbell, commonly known as Professor Campbell, has gained the confidence of Alberta farmers through the lecture course that he has conducted in the past two years. The action of the department in securing his services for the first farm of this nature in Alberta will be heartily approved by all.

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McLean Rivers		
Bow Island	16	4
Burdette	16	6
Grassy Lake	45	7
Purple Springs	19	10
Taber	310	23
Boninful	47	16
Coldside	10	2
Experimental Farm	19	8
Royal Colliers	51	2
Queeston	14	19
Robinson's Ranch	16	5
Iron Spring	17	25
Albion Ridge	5	18
Newlands	13	8
Red Hill	11	7
Kelso	7	8
Nedids	28	9
Diamond City	16	7
Plainfield	9	27
Bowville	25	58
St Marys	17	0
Whites	15	6
Whirling	49	46
Raymond	2	263
Brow	1	19
Leth	1	16
Total	790	619

Majority for McLean 171

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Synopsis of Canadian North-west

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Any even numbered sections of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, excepting 5 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of the family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Land Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situated. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him not less than eighty (80) acres in extent in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother).

(4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than thirty miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

(5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

Six months' notice in writing must be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of intention to apply for patents.

W. W. CORY

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 500 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made to the Agent or sub-agent of the district in which the rights are applied for or re-situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise.

A royalty shall be paid on the measurable output of the mine at a rate of five cents per ton.

Every lessee of coal mining rights which are not being operated shall furnish the district agent of Dominion Lands with a sworn statement to that effect at least once in each year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to the Agent or Sub-agent of Dominion Lands in the district.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Watch King Bros. ad. for some good suggestions in next issue.

Miss Blanche Fisher has taken a position in the store of O'Brien and Nalder.

Be on the lookout for the big announcement in King Bros. ad. appearing next issue.

Say boys, don't forget the lacrosse meeting on Monday evening.

Mrs. A. Heppler and children of Cardston, were visitors to our town for the Easter holidays.

Mr. Fred Barton, of the Cardston Star, spent Good Friday in town.

The O'Brien Orchestra gave a dance on Good Friday evening. A fair crowd turned out.

Don't forget the lacrosse meeting on Monday evening. It is earnestly hoped that a good crowd will turn out.

There was a dance billed for this evening, but owing to the inclemency of the weather, a very large crowd did not turn out.

Mr. Alvin Amos who has been ill for the past few weeks is still unable to be around. We wish for his speedy recovery.

Miss Miralida Allen entertained a number of her friends at an evening party held at her home on Monday evening last.

The Carnival held at the roller rink on Wednesday evening was fairly well attended. Good music was furnished and everybody report a good time.

A branch of the Union Bank of Canada has been opened up in Stirling, with Mr. A. F. Schimowski, of Lethbridge, as Manager.

Large numbers of landseekers are daily coming to and passing through town looking at the land with a view to settling. It is expected that the land run this year will be a record.

The Raymond public will go to look for the special announcement in King Bros. ad. in next issue. It will be something worth seeing.

Season tickets are now on sale for the Raymond Opera House, good for the first ten plays for \$7.50. Tickets can be had by applying to the manager.

Mr. A. F. McDuffie, of our town has been appointed by the Alberta Government, a Commissioner to Administer Oaths, and to take and receive affidavits.

The Magrath Orchestra gave a dance in the Assembly hall here on Monday evening last. Quite a large crowd was out, but a few complaints were registered the next day about the music.

Mr. H. Jones has moved his confectionery business from the C. D. Fox building, to his premises directly across the street. He has remodelled the building and has opened up an ice cream parlor.

Did you hear that Raymond's new Opera House is to be opened next Friday evening? A strong local company will put on the play "Arizona." Get your tickets early as a rush may be expected.

This evening we are in the midst of a big snowstorm. This is what the district needs, and watch the bumper wheel return we will be able to show this year. Let us hope so any way.

Cardston baseball fans are having hard time to organize their baseball club this season. They have already held meetings but without avail and are holding the final meeting this evening to decide. If they fail the coveted cup, over which there was to be one game to decide its fate, will go to Raymond by default.

Congratulations to the O'Brien Orchestra. This very clever musical troupe of our town have secured all the playing for the Raymond Opera House, having signed up a contract to effect this week with the manager, Geo. W. Green.

There were no services in the Latter Day Saints Church on Sunday evening last, owing to the fuel famine. However, a car of coal arrived in town on Tuesday, and the wants of the church were catered to.

The car of coal which arrived on Tuesday, amounting to about 15 tons, was soon disposed of. It could not supply the want of the town.

Mr. Will Rose, of the Old Cheyenne, has been having some extensive improvements made in his restaurant. When thoroughly remodelled Mr. Rose will have a first-class restaurant and ice cream parlors. An up-to-date flock of the best Stationery will also be installed.

BIRTHS

to Raymond, on Sunday, April 11, to wife of R. A. Stark, a son.

In Raymond, on Monday, April 12th, to wife of J. C. Orgill, a daughter.

Reward,

A reward of \$25.00 will be paid to any person giving information securing the conviction of the person who assaulted me on April 4th 1909.
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Scouty and the Cabby.
It was about 1.30 when Archibald McAllister arrived at Sturton station, and he found that the train he was to catch for Portmouth did not leave London till 4 o'clock. To see as many of the "sights" of the great city as possible in the limited time was his earnest desire, but the hair raising stories he had heard in Tuntouchy about London cabmen's charges had not been lost upon him. After a moment's thought, however, he hailed a hansom. "I'm a stranger here, ye ken?" he said to the driver, "but can ye drive me to Waterloo station in time to catch the 4 o'clock train?"

With a little reflection cabby said he thought he might manage it, and by driving by devious ways he managed to make that twenty minutes' journey last two hours and a half. Arrived at Waterloo, Archibald fastened upon a railway policeman.

"Can ye tell me the fare from London?"

"One and six," said the company's guardian.

"Verry well," said Archie. "Here's a hairepen fer yourself, ma' am, and wull ye kindly settle wif the cabman while a body takes his ticket?"—London Chronicle.

A Good Story.
Mrs. Margaret Thompson of London, who died many years ago, by her will directed that in her will should be buried all her handkerchiefs and sufficient of the best Scotch snuff to cover her body. This she preferred to flowers, as "nothing could be more fragrant and so refreshing to me as that precious powder." Further, the six greatest snuff takers in the parish of St. James, Westminster, were to be her executors. Six old maids, each bearing in her hand a box filled with the best Scotch snuff to take for the refreshment as they walked, were to carry the pall. Before the corpse the minister was to walk, carrying and patting of a pound of snuff. At every twenty yards a large handful of snuff was to be delivered to the bystanders, while at the door of the testator's house were to be placed for gratuitous distribution two bushels of the same quality of snuff.

Earthquakes and Pestilence.
From early times pestilence has been regarded as one of the accompaniments of earthquakes. Not in this perhaps a more frequent of superstition. Many instances of epidemics following upon earthquakes are on record, says the Lancet. Thus in 527-50 A. D., earthquake years, Constantinople was visited by a pestilence, and in 610 A. D. after more than a decade of seismic disturbances which extended from Japan to the Mediterranean, the whole of Italy was visited, according to Pliny, by a fearful epidemic, of which the nature is not recorded. Old writers, such as Von Mevius, an authority on the Lisbon earthquake of 1755, were wont to attribute the pestilence to diseases exhibited by whole populations during earthquake seasons. Shaken nerves begotten of prolonged suspense and broken rest at night.

A Clever Special Pleader.
Mr. John Doyle was a clever special pleader as a lawyer. In his young days he appeared in a breach of promise case to defend a man who had married another woman. Sir John cross examined the plaintiff thus: "Did he not promise to marry you when his father was dead?" "Yes," "Is his father dead?" "No." "Then that is my case. The defendant's wife may die before his father or afterward, and he may outlive them both, when it will be time for him to fulfill his promise."

It is also recorded that Sir John rode a horse called Business so that his clerk might conscientiously tell any callers that his master was out on business.—London Standard.

A French Riposte.
A Frenchwoman took a seat in a railway car in Paris the other day when a man entered and sat down on the edge of her dress. She called his attention to the fact and asked him, first pleasantly, then angrily, to get up. He paid no attention to her, whereupon she boxed his ears repeatedly. He retorted by pushing her from her seat, whereupon she screamed and he was arrested. It turned out that he had not heard a word of what she had said, being deaf, and he was naturally indignant at her action; but he apologized all the same.

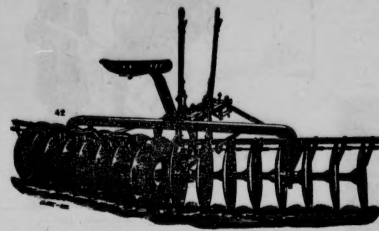
The Moon and Thunder.
It has been said that thunderstorms are influenced by the moon. Nearly 12,000 observations collected by the United States weather bureau show a preponderance of 53 per cent in the first half of the lunar month. The greatest number of thunderstorms come between the new moon and the first quarter and the least number between the full moon and the last quarter. This is perhaps the only satisfactory evidence that the weather is at all influenced by the moon.

Valuable Space.
First Stockholder—I don't see why people should be allowed to carry packages on the elevated roads. Second Stockholder—Why should they? First Stockholder—Well, if it were not for the packages we could crowd a few more people into each car.

Getting a Library.
Student—How would you advise me to go about collecting a library? Professor—Well, I'll tell you how I managed it. When I was young I bought books and lent them. Now I borrow books and keep them.

When the food came Noah had to live in the ark. There was no food or anything else. What did he live on? Noah—He lived on the ark.

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